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EFFECTS OF POLLUTION OF THE ATMOSPHERE ON CLIMATE

REF: A. MOSCOW 4310 B. STATE 37334 C. STATE 48872

1. THIS IS IN REPLY TO REFERENCE A.

2. EPSTEIN, CO-CHAIRMAN OF WORKING GROUP VIII, STRONGLY DESIRES
TO HOLD MEETING ON ATMOSPHERIC OPTICS AND AEROSOLS AS APPROVED IN
THE DECEMBER PROTOCOL AND OUTLINED IN REFERENCE B. ARRANGEMENTS
BETWEEN THE US AND USSR SCIENTISTS HAVE PROCEEDED ON THE BASIS OF
A MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING THAT THE MEETING WAS AN APPROVED TOPIC. THE
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US SIDE EMPHASIZES THAT THERE NEVER WAS ANY CONFLICT BETWEEN THE
ATMOSPHERIC OPTICS AND AEROSOLS MEETING, AND THE BALLOON EXPERIMENT.

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THE US SIDE HAS APPROVED BOTH TOPICS AS DR. MARTINEAU DOES NOT RECALL ANY ORAL AGREEMENT TO SUBSTITUTE THE BALLOON EXPERIMENT FOR THE ATMOSPHERIC OPITICS MEETING. IN REFERENCE C, EPSTEIN IN A LETTER TO BORISENKOV, CONFIRMED THA BALLOON EXPERIMENT AND REQUESTED CONFIRMATION BY THE SOVIET SIDE IN ORDER TO IMPLEMENT THIS RESEARCH ACTIVITY. THIS REQUEST HAS NOT YET BEEN ACKNOWLEDGED. HOWEVER, THE US SIDE IS PROCEEDING TO MAKE FINAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE BALLOON EXPERIMENT AS A RESULT OF A RECENT LETTER FROM KONDRATYEV TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, SPONSOR OF THE BALLOON EXPERIMENT.

3. THE US SIDE DESIRES THAT THE MEETING ON ATMOSPHERIC OPTICS AND THE BALLOON EXPIERIMENT BE CONDUCTED AS TWO DISTINCT ACTIVITIES. WE WOULD HOPE TO HAVE THE ATMOSPHERIC OPTICS MEETING IN MOSCOW DURING THE PERIOD 16-23 MAY 1975 AND THE BALLOON EXPERIMENT TO BE CONDUCTED FROM MID-JUNE TO THE END OF JULY AT SITES IN THE USSR TO BE DESIGNATED

BY THE SOVIET SIDE. SINCE THE BALLOON EXPERIMENT IS IN EXCESS OF 30 DAYS, WE BELIVE THAT TO COMBINE THESE TWO ACTIVITIES IN ONE MEETING WOULD NOT BE PRACTICAL. HOWEVER, EPSTEIN IS WILLING TO DEFER MAY MEETING ON ATMOSPHERIC OPTICS AND AEROSOLS TO THE SECOND HALF OF JUNE 1975 TO COINCIDE WITH THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE BALLOON EXPERIMENT IF THIS ACTION WILL ACCOMMODATE THE SOVIETS.

4. APPRECIATE EMBASSY EFFORTS THUS FAR TO CLARIFY THIS SITUATION AND REQUEST THAT THE MATTER BE RAISED ONCE MORE WITH KUVSHINNIKOV OF HYDROMET. KISSINGER

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